



THE WHISTLE STOP



ONLINE BILL PAY

Try our NEW Online Bill Pay with No convenience fees thru April 15, 2013.

Reasons to use Online Bill Pay:

- Convenience of making a payment anytime of day
- No checks to write
- Save gas
- Save time

In addition you can view your utility statements and track your account history using this new system, even if you do not pay your bill online. You will need to obtain your PIN in order to access your account. Please note that your PIN will appear on your March 2013 billing statement for the first time or you can contact Town Hall to obtain your PIN.

NOW 6-WAYS TO PAY

1. NEW ONLINE BILL PAY

2. MAIL in your payment to:

Town of Troutman
PO Box 26
Troutman, NC 28166

3. AUTOMATIC DRAFT from checking account. There is no fee to have you payment automatically drafted from your bank account each month.

4. BY PHONE with Credit or Debit card VISA, MASTERCARD, OR DISCOVER

5. IN PERSON— inside Town Hall or at drive-thru window.

Troutman Town Hall
400 North Eastway Drive
Troutman, NC 28166
Monday—Friday
8:00 am—5:00 pm EXCEPT Holidays

6. AFTER HOURS DEPOSIT BOX — located near drive-thru window. Any payments placed in this box will be posted the next business day.

what's in YOUR medicine cabinet?

Bring unused or expired prescription and over-the-counter medicines to a **TAKE-BACK EVENT** near you. Find a location at ncsafekids.org.



Date: Saturday, March 23rd

Time: 10:00 am to 2:00 pm

Location: Food Lion Parking Lot-
520 N. Main Street,
Troutman, NC 28166

Contact: Lt. Marty Loudermilt or Lt.
Darrin Payne (704) 528-7610

RED CROSS BLOOD DRIVE

Date: Tuesday, March 12, 2013

Time: 2:00 pm — 6:30 pm

Location: 1st United Methodist Church,
204 Mills Ave., Troutman, NC



American Red Cross

Together, we can save a life

TROUTMAN 5K

Troutman Parks and Rec 5K will be starting at Troutman Town Hall on **Saturday, March 2, 2013**. You can register on Race day for the 5K or the Family Fun Run. \$30 for 5K and \$15 for Family Fun Run.

Race day Schedule

7:00 AM — Packet pick up &

Race day Registration

8:00 AM — 5K Run/Walk Start

8:45 AM — Family Fun Run (1 mile)

9:15 AM — Awards Presentation



FARMERS MARKET - RETURNING SOON

Now accepting applications for seasonal, weekly and one-item sellers for the Farmers Market. Apply early —Spaces are limited. Contact: Erika Martin at 704-508-3012 or emartin@townoftroutman.org.



SHOE COLLECTION

Help make a difference in million of people's lives by donating new or gently worn shoes. A collection box has been placed at Troutman Town Hall until March 15 from the Mooresville Mayor's Youth Council. The shoes to go Soles4Souls (www.soles4souls.org).

Folks can donate *any* shoe that is able to be worn again, from heels to sneakers.

Soles4Souls Mission

Soles4Souls collects new shoes for victims of abject suffering and collects used shoes to support micro-business efforts to eradicate poverty. The organization has helped almost 130 countries and almost every state in the US.



What Happens to the Shoes?

In cases such as hurricane Katrina or any other natural disasters, shoes are sent directly to the location. Other countries receive shoes often because citizens cannot afford the cost of them. Many children are unable to attend school if they do not have footwear.

CHILD CAR SEAT CHECK

The Troutman Police Department will host a Child Passenger Safety Check. Officers will check car seats and give advice on car seat safety.

Date: Saturday, March 2, 2013

Time: 9:00 am—11:00 am

Location: Bank of America
Parking Lot—520 North Main
Street, Troutman, NC 28166

Cost: FREE



FAÇADE GRANTS AVAILABLE

Town of Troutman has funds available for downtown improvements. Matching grant awards up to \$1,000 are available for businesses located downtown. A simple, one page application can be picked up at Town Hall or printed from our website. Applications are reviewed on the 2nd Thursday of each month by volunteers associated with Small Town Main Street. If approved, projects must begin within 3 months and must be completed within 6 months.

ELIGIBLE PROJECTS:

- Exterior painting and/or paint removal
- Exterior cleaning (except sandblasting)
- Masonry repair and repainting
- Repair and replacement of architectural details or materials
- Repair/replacement of windows/window framing
- Removal of siding and exterior false facades
- Rehabilitation of compatible reconstruction of storefront
- New awnings or rehabilitation of existing awnings
- Replacement of transom glass
- Removal of inappropriate, out-of-date or unsafe signage
- Screening/landscaping (second priority)

Want to apply but need design help?

The State Main Street Resource Center offers free design services/suggestions for your business. Simply provide a photo of the property in its current state, share any ideas you have, and Town Staff will e-mail it to the State's designers (turnaround is typically 2 weeks).

TROUTMAN LAND USE COMMITTEE –SURVEY

Thank you to everyone who came out to Troutman's Land Use Plan meeting. A second meeting to reveal results and a draft of the plan should occur this fall. If you were unable to attend the meeting please take our survey about Troutman's future by logging onto our website or typing in the following link: <https://www.surveymonkey.com/s/RFKDJLM>

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Elbert H. Richardson

Board of Aldermen

J.T. Jablonski Jason Major
Curt Rogers Betty Jean Troutman
Mike Spath, Mayor Pro-Tem



Photo from
Community
Visioning
Forum on
2/12/13.

RECYCLING INFORMATION

Benfield Sanitation collects recycling on **Wednesdays** from town residences. Your pickup day is based on your garbage pickup day. If you have questions, please contact Town Hall at (704) 528-7600.



There was an error in the recycling schedule last edition. Below is the corrected schedule.

Green Week (If your Garbage Day is Tuesday or Thursday)	Blue Week (If your Garbage Day is Monday or Wednesday)
March 6	March 13
March 20	March 27
April 3	April 10
April 17	April 24
May 1	May 8
May 15	May 22

RECYCLING DO'S & DON'TS

- **Yes** — Cardboard
- **Yes** — Aluminum Cans
- **Yes** — Tin & Steel Cans
- **Yes** — Plastic Marked (#1-7)
- **Yes** — Glass
- **Yes** — Newspaper, Magazines, Catalogs, Junk mail, Phone books, Etc
- **NO** — Garbage, Yard Waste, Dishes, Hazardous Materials, Mirrors, Electronics, Cups, & other plastic containers.

UPCOMING TOWN MEETINGS

Agenda Briefing for Town Board Meeting	Mon. Mar. 11 4:30 pm
Technical Review Committee	Thurs. Mar. 14 10:00 am
Small Town Main Street— *Julia's Talley House	Tues. Mar. 14 12:00 pm
Town Board Meeting	Thurs. Mar. 14 7:00 pm
Parks & Rec. Meeting	Mon. Mar. 25 4:00 pm
Planning & Zoning Board	Tues. Mar. 26 7:00 pm
Land Use Committee	Thurs. Mar. 14 3:30 pm

**All Town meetings are open to the public and are held at Town Hall in the Boardroom unless noted otherwise.*

LEAF AND LIMB COLLECTION GUIDELINES

The 2012-2013 fiscal year leaf & limb schedule is available on our website and at Town Hall.

Take leaves and limbs to the curb in front of your house the day **before the first collection day**. If they are not out before the crew comes through, they will not be picked up.

Put leaves and limbs in separate piles.

Only limbs under **4"** inches in diameter will be collected.

Limbs will not be picked up if they have been cut by professional cutters or trimmers.

DO NOT put your leaves or limbs in bags.

LEAF & LIMB SCHEDULE

March 2013

Leaf Collection — No Collection
Limb Collection — 4 & 5

April 2013

Leaf Collection — No Collection
Limb Collection — 1 & 2



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